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**REMARKS** 

Claims 1 - 8 are currently pending in this application. Claim 9 has been withdrawn as a

non-elected invention.

Response to Rejection under 35 USC 102

Claims 1-3 and 6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by Liaw. Liaw

discloses a foldable serving cart that has multiple support boards that are fastened together by

propping rods. The support boards pivot between horizontal and vertical positions. However

these support boards are fastened to the propping rods so that they pivot in unison. This prevents

the support boards from pivoting independently from one another.

The claims as presently amended include the limitation of attachment mechanisms for

each display case that allows the display cases to pivot independently from one another and that

the second display case is below the first display case and on the same side as the first display

case. This limitation is not disclosed by Liaw. It has been clearly established that under 35

U.S.C. 102(b), in order for a reference to anticipate a claimed invention, it must disclose every

limitation of the claimed invention. In this instance, Liaw does not disclose the limitation of the

independent pivoting movement of the display cases. Thus claim 1 is allowable over this

reference.

Claims 2-9 includes the limitations of claim 1 and are thus allowable for that reason.

Further, claim 6 includes the limitation of the first display case pivots vertically between the

second and third display cases. This limitation is also not disclosed by Liaw.

The Applicant respectfully requests that claims 1 - 8 be allowed in view of the above

remarks. The Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned if further

discussions would advance the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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